

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE B. BURKE

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The County of Los Angeles is responsible for providing healthcare to the indigent and uninsured populations. In addition to meeting state and federally mandated licensing and accreditation requirements, the County must ensure that these services are provided responsibly in adequate facilities. Unfortunately, due to a lengthy period of deferred maintenance and other issues, some of our facilities have deteriorated to substandard and unacceptable conditions. Hubert Humphrey is one of the clinics serving the surrounding MLK Hospital area. Humphrey has been greatly impacted with increasing patients as a result of the closing of MLK Hospital.

While plans were initially developed and funded over 10 years ago for maintenance and upgrades of Hubert H. Humphrey Comprehensive Health Center, such plans never came to fruition. Consequently, Humphrey is in dire need of maintenance and critical repairs which have been deferred too long. Continuing the provision of public healthcare in Humphrey's present physical state of deterioration without addressing its deferred maintenance and essential upgrades would be irresponsible. Additionally, such conditions could endanger the facility's standing when reviewed for licensing and accreditation in the future.

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I, THEREFORE MOVE THAT this Board direct the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to immediately work in conjunction with the Director of the Department of Health Services (DHS) to complete its pending comprehensive assessment of Hubert H. Humphrey's deferred maintenance and upgrade needs; and

I, FURTHER MOVE THAT this Board direct the CEO to identify \$3.5 million and re-program funds previously intended for improvements at Humphrey, under the management of MLK Hospital, to be utilized in the execution of the deferred maintenance and upgrade plans for Hubert H. Humphrey Comprehensive Health Center; and

ADDITIONALLY, I MOVE THAT this Board direct the CEO to work in conjunction with the Director of the Department of Public Health to expeditiously complete its pending assessment of deferred maintenance and possible facility replacement of South Health Clinic, including the identification of funds to be allocated for the completion of all necessary work; and

FINALLY, I MOVE THAT this Board direct the CEO to report back with his findings and plans of action to execute the directives herein within 7 days.

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